

Spencer Town Council Regular Meeting  
January 19, 2021 6:00 P.M.  
Municipal Building and Via Microsoft Teams  
90 N. West Street  
Spencer, IN 47460

**Board Members present:** Jon Stantz, Dean Bruce, and Jon Mike Spinks

**Also, Present** Clerk-Treasurer Cheryl Moke, Richard Lorenz and (via Microsoft Teams), Chief Richard Foutch, Sewer Supt. John Hodge and Street Supt. Tony Floyd, Michael Mathias and Dwight Brooks with DNR. Maureen Hayden and Jeremy Schmitt with Commonwealth Engineers. Drew Flamion with Commonwealth attended virtually.

**IN THE MATTER OF APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

A motion to approve the previous minutes for January 4 was made and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**IN THE MATTER OF PUBLIC MATTERS**

The first item on the agenda was the opening of the MSCP public hearing. Jeremy Schmitt, with Commonwealth Engineers spoke first explaining the scope of the project to connect McCormick Creek's State Park sanitary sewer system to the Town of Spencer sewer system. He then opened it to the public for questions and comments. There were a couple questions regarding the handling of the emptying of the pool at the end of the season. Dwight Brooks commented that although it will flow through the sewer system, it would sit for up to 72 hours to eliminate the chemical content first. Dean Bruce commented on the cooperation between all the entities in getting this partnership to work. That ended the public meeting and the regular meeting returned to other public issues.

Drew Flamion and Maureen Hayden were next on the agenda to discuss the I & I project. Maureen presented application for payment no. 2 for approval for \$27,567.85 from Robinson Pipe Cleaning. Drew updated the Board on the progress of the project.

**Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the application for payment. The motion was seconded by Dean Bruce and passed unanimously.**

Next on the agenda was Resolution 2021-02 Authorizing The Purchase of Real Estate.

**Mike Spinks made a motion to sign the resolution, seconded by Dean Bruce. The motion passed unanimously.**

Next, an Authorization to sign Commitment letters for Community Crossing Grant was presented for signature by the president. Total cost for the Town will be \$70,005.41

**Jon Stantz made a motion to approve the authorizations, seconded by Mike Spinks. The motion passed unanimously.**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE REDEVELOPMENT COMMISSION**

Mike Spinks announced there is a meeting on Wednesday, January 20, 6:00 p.m. to reorganize.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE POLICE DEPARTMENT**

Chief Foutch reported that there is a police officer quarantined. Foutch also requested approval for repair to a 2014 vehicle for a new water pump for \$1,251.56.

**Dean Bruce made a motion to approve the repair, seconded by Mike Spinks. The motion passed unanimously.**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE BUILDING DEPARTMENT**

**IN THE MATTER OF THE STREET DEPARTMENT**

Tony Floyd reported on the Street Dept. operations. He reported that he received the storage barn today. They did some maintenance on the alley between McKay's and Ridgeline. They also did some maintenance in Cooper Park.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE SEWER DEPARTMENT**

John Hodge reported on sewer plant and maintenance.

**IN THE MATTER OF PLANNING & ZONING**

Regular meeting is coming up at the end of the month for reorganization.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE FIRE TERRITORY**

No real issues to report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE PARKS DEPT**

Dean reported that he had no report.

**IN THE MATTER OF THE ATTORNEY**

Richard Lorenz reviewed projects that he is currently working on.

**IN THE MATTER OF OLD BUSINESS**

No old business.

**IN THE MATTER OF NEW BUSINESS**

Jon Stantz reported that he would have a meeting on Tuesday, January 26 with Mark Rogers regarding the sidewalks and the continuing MyPath project. He reported he had a meeting with Doris Hammond regarding the Apple Butter Festival plans to move back downtown. However, they will need to get approval first, from the County to use the Courthouse lawn.

Dean reported that he and the Clerk-Treasurer met with the Ed Alexander regarding the meeting room equipment. They will also meet with AME and decide on how to proceed.

Jeremy Schmitt asked the Board to consider approving the Resolution for SRF Loan Program Acceptance Resolution.

**Mike Spinks made a motion to approve the Resolution, seconded by Dean Bruce. The Resolution was unanimously approved.**

**IN THE MATTER OF CLAIMS**

Claims were approved by motion and seconded. The motion passed unanimously.

**IN THE MATTER OF ADJOURNMENT**

A motion and a second to adjourn the meeting was made and passed unanimously. The meeting adjourned at 7:17 PM.

/s/ Jon Stantz

Jon Stantz, President

/s/ Dean Bruce

Dean Bruce, Vice-President

/s/ Mike Spinks

Mike Spinks, Member

Attest /s/ Cheryl Moke

Cheryl Moke, Clerk-Treasurer